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Mr. James W. Hagedorn (via Telefax)
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Dear Mr. Hagedorn:

Re: **Notice of Violation Issued to USX Corporation for the
Clairton and Edgar Thomson Plant Operations
AFS No. 42-003-00032 and No. 42-003-00202**

We appreciated the opportunity to meet with you to address the Notice of Violation (NOV). Per our conference, we are providing the following information:

1. Proposed schedule for engineering, installation, and start-up of Continuous Emission Monitors (CEMs) on Edgar Thomson Boilers No. 1, 2, and 3, Clairton Boilers No. 1 and 2, and Clairton Battery "B."
2. Estimated costs for installation, operation, and maintenance of CEMs on the above-referenced sources.
3. Costs spent to date to develop and implement the alternative monitoring system, which is currently used to monitor NOx from the five boilers.

Schedule

The total time for engineering, installation, and start-up of CEMs is estimated to be 42 weeks for the boilers and 44 weeks for Battery "B," assuming PaDER review and approval of the Phase I application within 30 days. The attached installation schedule provides a breakdown by task (**Attachment 1**).

CEM Installation and Operation Costs

1. Engineering, Installation and Start-Up. The total estimated cost for engineering, installation, and start-up of CEMs at Edgar Thomson Boilers No. 1, 2 and 3, Clairton Boilers No. 1 and 2, and Clairton Battery "B" is \$960,000, based on current pricing of July 1994.

2. Operation and Maintenance. The total annual estimated operation and maintenance cost for all six CEMs is \$200,000.

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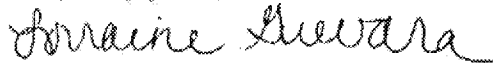
Alternative Monitoring Costs

As discussed, U. S. Steel evaluated and implemented a parametric monitoring system and is currently monitoring NOx emissions utilizing this system. The costs to develop and implement this system include engineering, consultant costs, testing, and data acquisition equipment purchase and installation. The total alternative monitoring cost is \$140,514.

Please note that the above total does not include the costs of plant and headquarters man-hours for internal meetings, agency meetings, contractor selection and oversight, preparation of protocol, engineering evaluation, report review and preparation, and contract administration, which are estimated to be in excess of \$9,000.

It is U. S. Steel's understanding that your office will review this information and provide us with your comments. Please contact me (412/433-5918) if you require any additional information.

Very truly yours,



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Attachment

cc. J. Pezzer - PaDER, Pgh.

Attachment I

Installation Schedule NO_x CEM - Clairton & Edgar Thomson Works

	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.
Pre-authorization Engineering (6 weeks)	X-----X										
Sumbittal Phase I Application			X								
Approval from DER (4 weeks)*					X						
Equipment Delivery (18 weeks)				X-----X							
Installation (8 weeks)						X-----X					
Testing & Checkout (4 weeks)								X-----X			
Certification "boilers" (2 weeks)									X---X		
Cetrification "coke battery" (4 weeks)										X-----X	

*Schedule based on DER approval in 30 days.